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1<sup>st</sup> Applicant : Magdy Younes  
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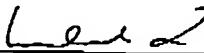
RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 18, 2009 and the restriction requirement contained therein, the applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I, namely claims 1 to 18, 22 to 37 and 44 to 46, drawn to a method and a device to detect and operate a ventilator by the use of a linear combination of parameters relating to the inflowing flow, pressure and volume and drawing a prediction curve.

This election is made without prejudice to the applicants right to file one or more divisional or continuation applications directed to the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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